BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS LEWIS COUNTY, WASHINGTON



Designating
December 17, 2012
Ron Averill Day

WHEREAS, in 1959 Ron Averill embarked on a life-long career of service, duty and honor when, upon graduation from the University of Southern California, he was commissioned into the US Army, where he served two tours in Vietnam, was a Commander at the Battalion and Brigade Level, the Deputy Chief of Staff, Intelligence at Western Command, Commander Intelligence Center Pacific, and ultimately retired a decorated colonel, most notably receiving the Bronze Star twice for meritorious service; and

WHEREAS, after 30 years of a distinguished military career, Ron Averill's service continued by dedicating his intellect and wealth of experience to the classroom working as a Professor of Political Science and Dean of Social Sciences at South Sound Community College from 1991 to 2006; and

WHEREAS, in 1996 Ron Averill expanded his legacy of service as a volunteer citizen, serving eight years as chairman of the Solid Waste Advisory Committee, and chairing both the Citizen Advisory Council and the Agriculture Committee for the Lewis County Planning Commission; and

WHEREAS, from November 2006 to December 2012, Ron Averill, furthered the journey into the political arena when he was elected as Lewis County Commissioner, during which he proudly served on over 30 boards and through dedication, hard work and insightfulness, he, along with his fellow commissioners, was able to successfully appeal and reverse an invalidity ruling by the Growth Management Act Hearing's Board allowing for opportunities for growth and jobs in Lewis County; and he also served the citizens of Lewis County well in his position on the Chehalis River Basin Flood Authority; and

WHEREAS, Ron Averill continues to work tirelessly and faithfully as a dedicated church member and community volunteer; serving as Lay Minister and Lector at St. Mary Parish, active member of Twin Cities Rotary Club, Centralia-Chehalis Chamber of Commerce, the Lake Mayfield Youth Camp Governing Board, and the former Varsity and JV Coach of the men's soccer team at Centralia Team High School; and

WHEREAS, Ron Averill embodies the ideals of good citizenship, public service, and patriotism.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that we, the Board of County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim December 17, 2012, as Colonel Ron Averill Day in Lewis County. We celebrate his accomplishments as a public official and his commitment to Lewis County and our Country. We thank you for your dedication to serve with devotion, integrity and honor. We wish you continued success as you carry on into your next distinguished journey of service.

DONE IN OPEN SESSION this 17th day of December, 2012.

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Karri Muir, CMC, Clerk of the Board

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